

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief, T3	DATE: 14-6	22-119
FROM: Chief of Station, Copenhagen		
SUBJECT: [redacted] / C. [redacted]		
REFERENCE: [redacted] 111		

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Reference: [redacted] 1 November 1960

1. Since the referenced meeting, we have had both business and social contacts with [redacted]. In an effort to help [redacted] get started in his ~~new~~ ^{career} activities in Copenhagen, we have introduced him to a number of the ~~other~~ ^{other} friends around the town. From these it is hoped that [redacted] will be able to find his circle of friends and establish his patterns of activity in the ~~new~~ ^{new} possible time. Among others, we have introduced him to one of the editors of the ~~Freemason~~ ^{Freemason} ~~Times~~, for whom he may have the opportunity to write articles and also to establish contacts within local journalistic circles. He is also visiting the circle of his own friends and acquaintances, some of whom might be interesting when more is known about them. They are in the field of literature or are students preparing for careers in the Danish Foreign Service.

2. [redacted] is still ineffective as a letterdrop and his flat, as previously reported, cannot be considered presently useful as a safe house. He is, however, looking around for a permanent flat for the remainder of the year. He is briefed on the type of flat which would be most useful operationally. The discussion on the subject of ~~his~~ ^{his} ~~own~~ ^{own} ~~apartment~~ ^{apartment} for such a flat has been initiated. Unless N/1 runs short of funds or his flat is used quite extensively to his considerable inconvenience, we feel at this point that it is an unnecessary expenditure. He will naturally absorb all his operating expenses, and we will occasionally give him a little liquor, which we are quite certain will be most appreciated.

3. [redacted] is planning to enroll formally in the University next semester. This we strongly encouraged as student membership in various campus groups and activities is then open to him. In fact the better [redacted] understands the situation in Copenhagen the more he regrets not getting to Copenhagen ~~earlier~~ ^{earlier} and enrolling in the Graduate School from the beginning. [redacted] has ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~yet~~ ^{yet} ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~able~~ ^{able} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~begin~~ ^{begin} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~talk~~ ^{talk} ~~about~~ ^{about} ~~staying~~ ^{staying} ~~an~~ ^{an} ~~extra~~ ^{extra} ~~year~~ ^{year} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~Copenhagen~~ ^{Copenhagen} ~~(or~~ ^{(or} ~~Denmark)~~ ^{Denmark)} if the study grant to Harvard for next year does not come through. 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1. The above information was obtained from an initial brief conversation with M/L. Before we checked the section files, KUMER looked like a good prospect. He still should not be ruled out. Not knowing about the material in the files, we told [E] at our meeting on the 13th to go ahead and cultivate KUMER. We gave him a good briefing on that information he should elicit and how he should pursue this target. [E] has arranged a dinner for evening, 29 November, with KUMER and should be able to provide a rough initial assessment of him at our next meeting. [E] to initial assessment, which is why we are prone to pursue this lead, is that KUMER was a tactically intelligent person, but not educated up to his potential. He is inclined to be shy, nervous, and a bit lonely. He is not too refined in his mannerisms. [E] said that KUMER had some American friends in Copenhagen, but they were not "regular students." [E] then explained to us the type of environment from which KUMER came (and with which he is familiar) and said that it was his opinion that this could very well account for the impression of himself which KUMER gave to others.

KUMER, whose parents are both well known in the Soviet Union, attended the Russian High School in the Soviet Union and also had some experience at Washington University College. He was graduated in 1937, and then he remained in the Soviet Union until about 1939, when he was sent to Copenhagen in the summer of that year and remained there for about a year. At that time his wife, who was also a student, was about to expire, and he began to study Slavic languages. It was then that he had lived about half of his life in the Soviet Union. During 1939 (or 1940) KUMER lived with an uncle in Leningrad, where he studied the Russian language and culture. From there, he returned quite well and after taking his exam in Slavic studies at the Institute, he would like to continue his studies or go back to the United States to teach the language. His O.L. still expires in April 1941, and after that money will be a problem. He stated that he likes Russian literature, but not the Soviet writers because they are compelled to write to conform to the Party line of social realism.

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5. After our next meeting with [E] in which we should get a rough clearer picture of KUMER, we should be able to tell whether this lead is fruitful or not, and if it looks promising complete traces will be requested from the Soviet Union. After the evening's contact with KUMER, [E] has been instructed to keep up the contact but not to pursue it aggressively, until he has further information. Regardless of how this lead turns out, it will be valuable practice and experience for [E], which is, we believe, worth while.

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